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In re Application of

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Masayuki ENDO, et al.

Confirmation Number: 9066

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Examiner: Kathleen Duda

For: PATTERN FORMATION METHOD

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	20	20	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	5	5	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
		Multiple dependent claims newly presented			\$0.00
		Fee for extension of time			\$0.00
					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations			\$0.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of \boxtimes extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2005, having a three-month shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on March 14, 2006, please amend the above identified application as follows.